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- * Second generation server to be released in June
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- * WebBoard price also drops Sebastopol, CA O'Reilly & Associates, publisher of the award-winning server WebSite, has announced a complete restructuring of its prices for the popular server and its soon-to-be-released high-end product WebSite Professional, as well as its product WebBoard. WebSite Professional, featuring cryptographic security, now has a suggested list price of \$499 (down from the previous price of \$1499), and will be released in June. Effective April 30, WebSite 1.1 will be freely available to anyone downloading it from O'Reilly's web site (http://software.ora.com). Three chapters of the acclaimed book "Building Your Own WebSite" will also be available for downloading. Unlike the full WebSite 1.1 product, the downloadable version does not contain the HotDog HTML editor, Mosaic browser, book, or technical support. Any web site a customer creates using the downloadable software can be easily transferred to the full purchased product. The company has also announced an aggressive upgrade program. Customers who purchase WebSite 1.1 between April 30 and the time WebSite Professional ships will receive a free upgrade to WebSite Professional. Customers who buy the full WebSite 1.1 after WebSite Professional ships, or who purchased WebSite 1.0 or 1.1 before April 30, can upgrade to WebSite Professional for \$99. "In the rapidly changing web server marketplace, getting the customer's attention is half the challenge," says Gina Blaber, Director of the O'Reilly Software Products Group. "Offering freely downloadable software is a great way to let prospective customers try out our product. We're confident that when people try WebSite and compare its features (not its marketing hype) to that of the competition, they will become WebSite customers. And with WebSite Professional, now they can have a web site with secure transactions and a host of features unmatched by any other shipping server at a moderate price." WebBoard, O'Reilly's web conferencing system software, and PolyForm, the web forms construction kit, are now offered at \$149 suggested list price (WebBoard's price is reduced from the previous price of \$249). WebBoard has been shipping since mid-February; PolyForm will ship May 7... WEBSITE PROFESSIONAL: MOST FLEXIBILITY OF ANY WINDOWS SERVER; FIRST SERVER TO SUPPORT MULTIPLE API'S WebSite Professional offers numerous significant upgrades from WebSite 1.1 including:
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- * a server-side Java programming software development kit, including comprehensive Java class library, examples, and online documentation;
- * the Win32 perl 5 package pre-installed for Common Gateway Interface (CGI) and API use, plus software development kit;
- * API-integrated version of Cold Fusion Standard, a powerful ODBC/SQL database integration package with templates and software development kit.

The product also includes comprehensive documentation in three volumes, extensive online help, 90 days of free technical support for registered users, and a 30-day money-back guarantee. "There's a theme that runs through the WebSite Pro product: choice. Other companies offer one security protocol, we offer two," says Blaber. "We support WebSite's API, Microsoft's API, Windows CGI, Standard CGI, and even a DOS CGI for 16-bit applications. We offer several different software development toolkits. We offer both Windows NT or Windows 95 in one product. It all adds up to offering the most freedom and flexibility of any Windows-based server." WebSite Professional gives site administrators two security options for confidential web-based transactions such as credit card purchases, internal sales strategies or employee records on corporate Intranets. SSL provides connection security, while S-HTTP authenticates the contents of specific documents . WebSite Professional's built-in Certificate Wizard simplifies registration with a Certification Authority. WebSite API provides a high-speed alternative to CGI and includes a comprehensive set of tools for adding custom extensions, such as enhanced logging, pre- and post-processing, document generation, and authentication. WSAPI also supports Microsoft ISAPI-ISA extensions, making it the first server to have multiple API support. Web developers can choose from four methods of dynamic page generation: Server-Side Includes (SSI) for simple creation of real-time HTML documents , Common Gateway Interface (CGI) for live information-sharing between the server and other applications, WSAPI for the most demanding applications, and API-integrated Cold Fusion Standard for ODBC/SQL database integration with templates. Cold Fusion Standard enables users to create interactive, dynamic web content drawing from any ODBC datasource. It lets WebSite users easily incorporate into Web database information such as customer feedback, online documents ordering and technical support, without the need for complex programming. WebSite Professional contains all of WebSite's award-winning features, including remote administration, virtual servers (multi-homing) for creating multiple home pages, wizards to automate common tasks, the popular Visual Basic and Windows CGI software development kit, WebIndex, a search tool for indexing web sites, and WebView, a graphical tool for managing web documents and links. WebSite Professional also supports client and server-side Java programming. WebSite developer Robert Denny codeveloped WebSite Professional with Enterprise Integration Technologies (EIT/Verifone), the inventors of S-HTTP. O'Reilly & Associates has worked with Denny and EIT on WebSite for the past 18 months. UPCOMING RELEASE: STATISTICS PROGRAM O'Reilly will release a web statistics program in Q3, '96. The product, as yet unnamed, will work initially on the Windows NT and 95 platforms, and will extend O'Reilly's software into cross-platform development. O'Reilly's software also includes WebSite 1.1, WebBoard, WebSite Professional (June, 1996), and PolyForm (May 7, 1996). O'Reilly's software product family provides web developers with powerful tools to create interactive, compelling sites easily, efficiently and cost-effectively. ABOUT O'REILLY & ASSOCIATES O'Reilly & Associates, Inc., is a major developer of software for the Internet and Intranet. The company has long been recognized worldwide for its definitive books on the Internet and UNIX, and more recently for its development of online content and software. O'Reilly developed the Global Network Navigator (GNN), a pioneering web-based publication which it later sold to America Online. Songline Studios, an affiliate of O'Reilly & Associates, specializes in developing innovative, interactive online content such as Web Review. O'Reilly & Associates' planning and review cycles link together software developers, authors, computer vendors, and technical experts throughout the industry in a creative collaboration that mirrors the strengths of the "open systems" philosophy itself. WebSite, WebBoard, and PolyForm are trademarks of O'Reilly & Associates, Inc. WebView and WebFind are trademarks of Enterprise Integration Technologies, Inc., a Verifone

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Dialoglink and Trademarkscan - Federal: pioneers in online images.

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TEXT:

Picture this scenario. Your law firm's new client has received a cease and desist letter for trademark infringement from a competitor. Although the trademark registration number is provided, a photocopy of the trademark is not enclosed in the letter. Your first priority is to find a copy of the mark.

You have two options. You can fumble through the Official Gazette of the United States Patent and Trademark Office to locate the published mark. Or, you can save valuable time and log onto TRADEMARKSCAN - FEDERAL (File

226 on DIALOG)* and search for the trademark using the registration number. In less than five minutes you hand the partner both the trademark information and design. The client is impressed with the document, and the partner is impressed with you.

DIALOG and Thomson & Thomson teamed up to produce one of the first commercial online databases containing both text and images. Thomson & Thomson, a trademark and copyright research firm, added trademark designs to its text file, TRADEMARKSCAN FEDERAL, in January 1988. Simultaneously, DIALOG developed DIALOGLINK, version 1.20, a powerful and easy-to-use software to receive and display images online from mainframe computers.

Both companies deserve congratulations for their pioneering efforts to bring imaging to the online world. However, some improvements are necessary before the image enhancement in TRADEMARKSCAN can be widely used.

This article evaluates TRADEMARKSCAN image retrieval using DIALOGLINK 1.20 communications software. It discusses TRADEMARKSCAN's composition, retrieval methods, file size, downloading and printing time and costs, and database applications. The article also discusses software requirements and functions that are relevant to image retrieval. Finally, the article will make suggestions for improvements to TRADEMARKSCAN and DIALOGLINK 1.20. TRADEMARKSCAN - FEDERAL

TRADEMARKSCAN - FEDERAL, contains all active trademark applications and registrations filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The file also contains abandoned, cancelled, or expired trademarks from January 1, 1984 to present. The approximately 880,000 trademarks are categorized into six types: Design Only, Word and Design, Stylized Letters and Word, Block Letters and Word, Word Only, and Sound Only. The last two categories do not contain any design elements.

About 37% of the records in the database have a design or retrievable image. Of this 37%, only 30% of the records with designs include a written description of the mark, which is supplied by the trademark applicant. This description is defined as the Design Phrase (PH=) field.

To add the trademark images to File 226, Thomson & Thomson scans the designs into a separate database. The scanned images are sent to DIALOG on magnetic tape. DIALOG software changes the digitized images through algorithms to read like text data. The data for each image is compressed, encoded, sized, and centered. TRADEMARKSCAN links the image database to the text database via the trademark serial numbers or in some cases via the registration numbers. Each image is numbered and stored in a file beginning with the letter "T" and ending with IMG.

The image quality depends upon the quality of the original document. The older records are scanned from many sources, including microfiche.

TRADEMARKSCAN provides online access to trademark design elements. It opens up a new world for online users who have never had access to trademark designs. The database offers trademark searchers an alternative to traditional retrieval methods. Searchers can view the text and design element without referring to the Official Gazette. TRADEMARKSCAN is the only source of designs for pending trademark applications.

The file's main weakness is its inability to provide a tool to search for design elements. The image enhancement will remain another form of document retrieval until design code searches (currently under development at Thomson & Thomson) are made available to TRADENURKSCAN users. DIALOGLINK VERSION 1.20

DIALOGLINK 1.20 is more than a communications program. It is the hub of several Dialog Information Services products, which include DIALOGLINK Communications Manager, DIALOGLINK Account Manager, and DIALOG OnDisc Manager. DIALOGLINK 1.20 includes the Communications Manager and a utilities program to delete image files that are not connected with a saved text file from disks. The Account Manager enables the subscriber to track costs for charge-back purposes. The Communications Manager provides computer connections to DIALOG and other online services and enhances online searching through two buffers and a simple editor. The TypeAhead

Buffer allows the user to compose searches offline before the communications link is activated. All information transmitted from DIALOG is captured into the Retrieve Buffer. The MARK function key (F4) permits the user to block selected portions of the search results, in order to print or save them to disk.

To access DIALOGLINK's features, the user must toggle the appropriate function key. A keyboard template for the function keys is provided. Each function has a menu that appears in the middle of the screen with all of the selections for the particular feature. Experienced users can bypass these menus. The bottom of the screen contains a status line. This line indicates whether the computer is online/offline, the amount of available buffer and disk space, and notifies the user if there is an error during data transmission. The status line also has a "gas gauge" that displays the amount of image data being transmitted. Figure 1 is an example of a status line during image data transmission. DIALOG's documentation and customer support are excellent.

DIALOGLINK 1.20 is the only communications software to provide access to images. Fortunately, it is very good. The software allows access to images through a variety of equipment configurations. The images are easily displayed, saved, and printed. DIALOGLINK 1.20 also has text editing capabilities. It contains all of the features needed to deliver a polished product.

Unfortunately, the transmission of bit-mapped images is slow. The slow speed results in high online connect time fees. DIALOG needs to pursue more efficient compression algorithms or decrease the online time charges for image retrieval formats. HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS FOR IMAGE RETRIEVAL

The minimum equipment requirements for retrieving online images are:

- , IBM PC, XT, AT, or compatible with 384K RAM memory, and DOS 2.0 or higher
- , Hayes Smartmodem or compatible with 1200 or 2400 baud, other selected modems, or any acoustic modem
 - 9 IBM compatible modem cable for external modems
 - , Monochrome or color monitor
- , Graphics Printer: Epson/Proprinter or compatible, or HP Thinkjet, or HP Laserjet
- , Graphics adapter card The following configuration is recommended to attain the fastest performance and best quality of images:
 - , AT (80286) or faster computer with 640K of RAM and hard disk 2400 baud modem

Laser printer

The occasional image searcher will find 1200 baud transmission adequate but regular searchers will prefer 2400 baud. Users who access this file with 300 baud modems should plan to take a second mortgage on their homes. PRINT QUALITY

The quality of the printed trademark image depends upon the printer (and the quality of the original image prior to scanning). Dot matrix printers produce acceptable results but laser printers produce impressive documents. (Editor's Note: The images reproduced in this article were printed on a laser printer. -NG) A laser printer allows the user to display the image in its finest detail whether it is printed directly from DIALOGLINK or moved into a word processing program. Additionally, the laser user can select one of four sizes of printed image from the DIALOGLINK software. The sizes from smallest to largest are 300 x 300, 150 x 150, 100 x 100, and 75 x 75 dots-per-inch. The print size can be adjusted at any time during a search by typing <Ctrl> F8.

The searcher cannot use the DIALOG PRINT command with TRADEMARKSCAN, except to order PRINT VIA DIALMAIL. DIALOG projects true offline "print" capability of images to be available in june 1989.

The best method to cut costs is to download the image, logoff, and then print offline. An AT (286) microprocessor increases the speed of the printing process. The chart in Figure 4 indicates that the average offline

print time is one minute per downloaded record. Online image printing is expensive. It may increase the search cost as much as \$5.00 per record. SEARCHING FOR AN IMAGE Trademark images can be retrieved but can not be searched with any thoroughness. Trademarks can be searched through words, corrupted spellings of words, registration and serial numbers, ownership, dates, United States and International classification, and description of goods and services. The suffix /design will limit any set to the design marks (the images themselves). The only method to search for a specific design element is in the DESIGN PHRASE segment of the record. This field can be searched as ph=x. Figure 2 shows a search for trademarks that have the word "zebra" in the DESIGN PHRASE. The DESIGN PHRASE field is the weak link in the system because it does not have a controlled vocabulary, and because only about 30% of the records with a design have a design phrase. The trademark applicant describes the design, and the user must match the description to be able to retrieve the image. Of course, the interpretation can vary from person to person. For example, the Hershey's Kiss, is listed with the far-fetched description of a "plume extending out of the wrapper"! The full text of this record and image are shown in Figure 3.

Thomson & Thomson plans to remedy this problem in the future with code searching. For instance, "zebra" might be WC=020 and "tree" could be wc=050. A search strategy of SS WC=(020 and 050) would retrieve all designs with zebras and trees. (This example is fictional and solely from the author's imagination.) The imaging capability of TRADEMARKSCAN will never gain wide usage until code searching is made available to users. RETRIEVING AN IMAGE

The full text of the record and image is retrieved by requesting Format 19. Figures 2 and 3 are examples of full-text records with images. There is no indication of the IMG file size until the user requests a TYPE in Format 19. The image size appears at the bottom of the screen in the status line in an E++++F"gas tank" (See Figure 1). The gas gauge changes from regular to bold print as the data are transmitted from DIALOG to the user's computer. The more ... that are between the E and F, the more bytes of information are contained in the image's file. The number of bytes in each IMG file is written on the disk in the downloading process. AII.IMG files are automatically written to a disk even if the text information is not saved to a disk. The DIALOGLINK utility program, Clear Images, deletes all.IMG files not linked to saved text files. The user should run this utility program periodically to clean up the disk. RETRIEVE BUFFER

The Retrieve Buffer is the most important DIALOGLINK feature for the searcher using image retrieval. Its presence enables users to perform cost-effective searches. The buffer holds both text and image data transmitted from DIALOG. The size is limited only by the amount of available RAM in the user's computer. Trademark images can be displayed, printed, or saved to a disk from the Retrieve Buffer. Images previously Saved To Disk must be loaded into the Retrieve Buffer for subsequent display or editing. The uploading is done through the Disk Menu. DISK MENU

The Disk Menu is activated by toggling F7, and is shown below:

Disk Menu

- 1 . Start Saving to Disk
- 2. Save Retrieve Buffer to Disk
- 3. Save Type-Ahead Buffer to Disk
- 4. Load Retrieve Buffer from Disk
- 5. Load Type-Ahead Buffer
- 7. Change Drive or Directory
- 8. Erase a Saved File
- 9. Exit Communications Manager

Press ESC to Exit Menu

Selection 2 stores the buffer to disk and Selection 4 loads the saved file into the buffer so that the image may be viewed on the screen or printed. The user can type the number of the selection or cursor to the correct selection by moving the arrow keys. DISPLAYING THE IMAGE

The user must toggle F6 to activate the Display Menu shown below. This menu can be active either online or in the buffer offline.

Display Menu

- 1. Turn Auto Image Display ON
- 2. Display Image
- 9. Exit Communications Manager

Press ESC to Exit Menu

The user selects the correct choice and hits <Enter> to display the image on the screen. The image fills the screen from top to bottom. The image inverts on the screen when the lower case i is struck. Hit <Enter> to clear the screen.

Use Auto Image Display to view a series of images. Each image of the search displays when the cursor reaches the image file portion of the record. The user hits <Enter> to proceed to the next record.

Display Image allows the user to cursor through a search and display specific images. The menu can be overridden by hitting ${\sf Shift} > {\sf F6}$. PRINTING AN IMAGE

The searcher toggles F8 to activate the following Printer Menu: Printer Menu

- 1 Turn the Printer on/off
- 2. Print the Retrieve Buffer Contents
- 3. Print the Type-Ahead Buffer Contents
- 4. Print a Saved File
- 9. Exit Communications Manager

Press ESC to Exit Menu

Images can be printed online or offline. The offline prints are executed from the Retrieve Buffer or Saved File. Any record or search printed online or offline includes the full format of the trademark text and design. It is possible to print the displayed image without text with <Shift> <Print Screen> or by MARKing (F4) the downloaded image line, and printing the Retrieve Buffer. The <Esc> key will interrupt the print function. EDITING FEATURES

DIALOGLINK has basic editing tools, MARK (F4) and insert/delete commands. Both the Type-Ahead and Retrieve Buffers may be edited. The marking function permits the user to block selected portions of the search and subsequently save or print the MARKed (Retrieve Buffer) contents. Both Save to Disk and Print Retrieve Buffer give the user the option to select A, all of the search, or M, only the MARKed portion. The insert/delete commands allow the user to edit search strategies both online and offline.

The importance of these editing features cannot be overlooked. DIALOGLINK 1.20 is the only software to print image records unless the user has a word processing program capable of converting a displayed image into its own graphics file. COST

The TRADEMARKSCAN online connect time charge is \$125.00 per hour. Each image record costs \$2.60. The record contains the full format text information and the design. The User Defined Format with the Design Phrase Field costs \$.85 per record. This is the same as the full format fee without the image.

The average cost per record without online display or print at 2400 baud transmission is \$4.60. The cost increases by \$2.00 to \$5.00 per record if the user remains online and prints the image at his/her own computer. Currently there is no method to accurately project the online time because the image file size is unknown until the transmission begins.

Ordering the full record and image via DIALMAIL costs \$5.60, plus DIALMAIL connect time charges, which is not really a savings for one record. It could save connect time charges if the user had a number of records to download. INTEGRATING IMAGES INTO WORD PROCESSING PACKAGES

TRADEMARKSCAN text easily transfers into word processing programs. However, the images do not. There is no word processing program that directly supports the DIALOGLINK IMG files. There are word processing programs that capture images displayed on the screen and convert the

designs into their own graphics files. WordPerfect 5.0 is one such program. DIALOG has a utility program available through DIALMAIL which converts IMG files into WordPerfect graphics files. USES FOR TRADEMARKSCAN IMAGE RETRIEVAL

If a trademark has a design online, it can be accessed. The user's imagination and bank account are the only limits.

TRADEMARKSCAN images enhance the traditional database applications and permit new applications. For users with access to the Official Gazette, the image capability provides a more expedient method to obtain trademark designs. For users without the Official Gazette, such as Marketing Departments, the capability enables immediate access to trademark designs.

TRADEMARKSCAN is the only source of designs for pending trademark applications. There is an average six-month time period between the filing of a trademark application and its publication for opposition in the Official Gazette. Trademark lawyers can use the image capability to integrate trademark designs into legal documents . They can also use the images to compare logos for trademark infringement. Business users can compile and monitor portfolios of their own and competitors' trademarks SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVING TRADEMARKSCAN , Add design code searching to make the images searchable! 9 Put the number of bytes in the IMG file on the text record. This will enable users to estimate the search cost. , Improve the transmission speed of image files. SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVING DIALOGLINK , Reduce the price of the User Defined Format for the Design Phrase field. o Work with the major word processing and desktop publishing software companies to have DIALOC; LINK image files directly supported. CONCLUSION Thomson & Thomson and DIALOG are pioneers in the world of online images. Their ability to provide online images on TRADEMARKSCAN has ushered in a new era of online technology. It appears that the online industry has perceived this as a successful venture. This is evident by the fact that other database producers have begun to follow with new online image products. In December 1988 Chapman and Hall, Ltd. introduced chemical structure image retrieval in HEILBRON, DIALOC; File 303. DIALOG also plans to load Beilstein's text and chemical structure files in 1989. Beilstein users will be able to perform chemical substructure searches similar to those offered by STN. (CompuServe has online color graphics, but of a more ephemeral nature, such as weather maps and clip art. Chemical structure searching and retrieval may actually qualify as one of the earlier developments in online imaging, but DIALOG and TRADEMARKSCAN have highlighted potential applications far beyond the sci/tech arena.) The success of TRADEMARKSCAN as it relates to trademark designs is contingent upon Thomson & Thomson's introduction of a design code searching capability. Even with that

k enhancement it is unlikely that online image searches will replace Thomson & Thomson's inhouse design searches. It is uneconomical and dangerous to use TRADEMARKSCAN as a replacement for full searches, either of designs or words. Image code searches will be used in the same manner as TRADEMARKSCAN word searches: they will point out the obvious similarities in designs.

The foundation for success of TRADEMARKSCAN is established. Thomson & Thomson's initial image product is good. DIALOGLINK 1.20 is elegantly simple. The software has all of the components searchers need to prepare quality documents. Now one sheet of paper provides the trademark searcher with the whole picture. RECOMMENDED READING Dialog Information Services, Inc. Image Basics. 1988. This pamphlet is "must" reading for new users of image technology. Abelow, Gerald R., "Digitized Logos", Interact, December 1986, pp. 23-29, 120-122.

This article explains the digitization and compression process of trademark logos. ${\tt ACKNOWLEDGMENTS}$

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CAPTIONS: Example of downloaded design. (chart); Disk, display, and printer menus. (table); Time and co st to download images. (chart)

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... Official Gazette. Trademark lawyers can use the image capability to integrate trademark designs into legal **documents**. They can also use the images to compare logos for trademark infringement. Business users can compile and monitor portfolios of their own and competitors' **trademarks**. SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVING TRADEMARKSCAN , Add design code searching to make the images searchable! 9 Put...

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